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TAGS: AORG (ICRC) ME

SUBJECT: ICRC AND MIDDLE EAST SITUATION

1. ICRC REP HOCKE INFORMED MISOFF TODAY OF ICRC'S CONCERN OVER LACK FULL APPLICATION OF GENEVA CONVENTIONS BY EGYPTIAN AND ISRAELI AUTHORITIES. ICRC ESPECIALLY CONCERNED ABOUT SITUATION SUEZ CITY. ACCORDING HOCKE, ICRC'S EFFORTS BEHALF VICTIMS OF CONFLICT IN SUEZ CITY HAVE BEEN BLOCKED SINCE STOPPAGE OF TALKS AT KM 101. ICRC WOULD LIKE PARTICULARLY TO RESUME DELIVERIES OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT TO SUEZ HOSPITAL AND ARRANG EVACUATION OF SOME 60 SICK AND WOUNDED.

2. HOCKE INFORMS THAT IN RECENT COMMUNICATION GOI HAS INFORMED ICRC OF ITS WILLINGNESS TO REPATRIATE ALL REMAINING EGYPTIAN POW'S (ESTIMATE 200) HELD BY ISRAEL AND PERMIT ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES IN SUEZ CITY AS SOON AS EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES GIVE FULL INFORMATION ABOUT ISRAELI MIA'S (ESTIMATE 400), REPATRIATE TWO ISRAELI CIVILIANS AND RETURN REMAINS OF ALL ISRAELI SOLDIERS BURIED ON EGYPTIAN TERRITORY ON BOTH SIDES

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SUEZ CANAL.

3. ACCORDING HOCKE, SUCH CONDITIONS BASED ON RECIPROCITY UNACCEPTABLE TO ICRC. ICRC HAS DECLARED ITSELF READY TO EXPLAIN COMMITTEE'S POSITION TO GOI'S MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND HAS ALREADY DONE SO TO AMBASSADOR KIDRON. MOREOVER, ICRC HAS AGAIN REQUESTED GOI AGREEMENT TO ICRC'S RIGHT OF INITIATIVE TO EVACUATE SICK AND WOUNDED FROM SUEZ CITY.

4. ICRC HAS BROUGHT THIS MATTER TO MISSION'S ATTENTION IN HOPES USG WILL EXERCISE ITS INFLUENCE TO FULLEST EXTENT POSSIBLE IN PERSUADING ALL PARTIES INVOLVED MIDEAST CONFLICT TO GIVE FULL AND UNRESERVED APPLICATION TO GENEVA CONVENTIONS. BASSIN

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